

EXHIBIT A – CLAIMS ON APPEAL

1. An input device for a computer system, comprising:
a keyboard having a function controller for providing output signals for use in said computer system in accordance with a Universal Serial Bus technique; and
a pointing device coupled to said function controller, said keyboard and said pointing device sharing said function controller.
2. The input device according to Claim 1, wherein said pointing device is hard-wired to said function controller.
3. The input device according to Claim 1, wherein said pointing device is coupled to said function controller using a wireless communication technique.
4. The input device according to Claim 3, wherein said wireless communication technique comprises a radio frequency communication technique.
5. The input device according to Claim 3, wherein said wireless communication technique comprises an infrared communication technique.
6. The input device according to Claim 1, wherein said pointing device is dumb.

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7. An input device for a USB compliant computer system, said input device comprising:

a first peripheral device having a first function recognized by said computer system as a first function endpoint and a function controller for providing output signals for use in said computer system in accordance with a USB technique; and

a second peripheral device recognized by said computer system as a second function endpoint coupled to said function controller, said first and second peripheral devices sharing said function controller.

8. The input device according to Claim 7, wherein said first peripheral device is recognized by said computer system as a USB function.

9. The input device according to Claim 8, wherein said function controller is the only controller in said first peripheral device.

10. The input device according to Claim 7, wherein said second peripheral device is dumb.

11. The input device according to Claim 7, wherein said first and second peripheral devices are recognized by said computer system as a composite USB device.

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12. An input device for a computer system, comprising:

a keyboard having a function controller therein for providing output signals for use in said computer system in accordance with a Universal Serial Bus technique;

a pointing device coupled to said function controller, said keyboard and said pointing device operate by sharing said function controller in said keyboard; and

wherein said function controller is the only controller in said keyboard.

13. The input device according to Claim 12, wherein said pointing device is dumb.